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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 14-19 without prejudice or disclaimer:

1. (Previously Presented) An acoustic device comprising:
 - a plurality of sound sources;
 - a first output unit for outputting sound based on sound signals from the sound sources, the first output unit comprising front speakers;
 - a first operation unit which is capable of turning on a power supply to the acoustic device;
 - a second output unit for outputting sound based on sound signals from the sound sources;
 - a second operation unit which is capable of turning on the power supply to the acoustic device;
 - a mode setting unit setting either one of
 - a first mode, in which the sound based on the sound signals from one of the sound sources are output from the first output unit, and
 - a second mode, in which while the sound based on the sound signals from one of the sound sources are being output from the first output unit, the sound based on the sound signals from another sound source are output from the second output unit; and
 - a control unit for
 - controlling the mode setting unit to set the first mode or the second mode when the power supply to the acoustic device is turned on by the first operation unit and
 - controlling the mode setting unit to set the second mode and controlling the front speakers of the first output unit to be in a muted state when the power supply to the acoustic device is turned on by the second operation unit.

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2. (Previously Presented) An acoustic device according to Claim 1, further comprising:
a remote operation unit for operating the acoustic device remotely; and
an external connection unit for externally connecting an electronic device having the remote operation unit,

wherein the control unit includes a control unit for controlling the mode setting unit to turn ON the power source of the acoustic device in the second mode, when the control unit detects the power ON demand signal from the remote operation unit through the external connection unit while the power source is OFF.

3. (Previously Presented) An acoustic device comprising:
a plurality of sound sources;
a first output unit for outputting sound based on sound signals from the sound sources, the first output unit comprising front speakers;
an operation unit which is capable of turning on a power supply to the acoustic device;
a second output unit for outputting sound based on sound signals from the sound sources,
a mode setting unit setting either one of
a first mode, in which the sound based on the sound signals from one of the sound sources are output from the first output unit, and
a second mode, in which while the sound based on the sound signals from one of the sound sources are being output from the first output unit, the sound signals from another sound source are output from the second output unit;

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an external connection unit for externally connecting an electronic device which is capable of turning on a power supply to the acoustic device; and
a control unit for

controlling the mode setting unit to set the first mode or the second mode when the power supply to the acoustic device is turned on by the operation unit and

controlling the mode setting unit to set the second mode and controlling the front speakers of the first output unit to be in a muted state when the power supply to the acoustic device is turned on by the electronic device.

4. (Original) An acoustic device according to Claim 2,

wherein the power ON demand signal obtained through the external connection unit is output from the electronic device in response to the power ON of the electronic device.

5. (Original) An acoustic device according to Claim 3,

wherein the power ON demand signal obtained through the external connection unit is output from the electronic device in response to the power ON of the electronic device.

6. (Original) An acoustic device according to Claim 2,

wherein the power ON demand signal obtained through the external connection unit is output from the electronic device in response to the insertion of a recording medium into the electronic device.

7. (Original) An acoustic device according to Claim 3,

wherein the power ON demand signal obtained through the external connection unit is

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output from the electronic device in response to the insertion of a recording medium into the electronic device.

8.-9. (Canceled)

10. (Original) An acoustic device according to Claim 1,
wherein the control unit causes a display unit to display power ON information
indicating that the power source is turned ON, when the power source of the acoustic device is
turned ON in the second mode while the power source is OFF.
11. (Original) An acoustic device according to Claim 3,
wherein the control unit causes a display unit to display power ON information
indicating that the power source is turned ON, when the power source of the acoustic device is
turned ON in the second mode while the power source is OFF.
12. (Original) An acoustic device according to Claim 10, further comprising:
a last information storage unit for storing, when the power source of the acoustic
device is turned OFF, the sound source information relating to the sound source of the sound
based on the sound signals being output by the first output unit just before the OFF of the
power source, as last sound source information,
wherein the control unit causes the display unit to display the last sound source
information stored in the last information storage unit, as the power ON information, when the
power source is turned ON in the second mode while the power source is OFF.

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13. (Original) An acoustic device according to Claim 11, further comprising:
a last information storage unit for storing, when the power source of the acoustic device is turned OFF, the sound source information relating to the sound source of the sound based on the sound signals being output by the first output unit just before the OFF of the power source, as last sound source information,

wherein the control unit causes the display unit to display the last sound source information stored in the last information storage unit, as the power ON information, when the power source is turned ON in the second mode while the power source is OFF.

14-19. (Canceled)

20. (Previously Presented) The acoustic device according to claim 1, wherein the interrupted state is releasable by the control unit.

21. (Previously Presented) The acoustic device according to claim 1, wherein the first output unit includes a first speaker and a second speaker,

wherein the second mode includes:

a first sub-mode, in which the second speaker of the first output unit is in a muted state and the first speaker is in an output state; and

a second sub-mode, in which the first speaker and the second speaker of the first output unit are in a muted state, and

wherein the control unit controls the mode setting unit to set the second sub-mode of the second mode when the power supply to the acoustic device is turned on by the second operation unit.